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the management by telephoning the
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deliver the paper, or when change of
residence occurs.WILL THE FARMER CUT HIS OWN
THROAT?In the language of the street, the
making or breaking of the farmer is
in his own hands. Whether he will
commit agricultural suicide or profit
by his opportunities remains to be
seen.Right now is the critical time.
Today he is settling the question of
acreage for each crop.Whether it will be an overwhelming
cotton crop with low prices, or a small
crop and high prices, rests with the
farmers and the farmers alone.The following from the Fort Worth
Record, based on remarks by Colonel
Clarence Ousley, head of the exten-
sion department of A. and M. College,
is here given space as the Eagle's
final plea for a small cotton acreage
and a large food and feed acreage:In 1916 the American crop, includ-
ing linters, passed the 12 million bale
mark. In 1914 a bumper crop of 16
million bales flooded the markets of
the world that were open to the com-
merce of America.Now why should another bumper
crop be produced in 1917?Why should the acreage be increas-
ed? Why should farmers go mad be-
cause of 16-cent cotton and \$50 seed?
Why play into the hands of the men
of millions who dominate the finances
of the world?There is more money in an 11 mil-
lion bale crop than there is in a 17
million bale crop.Clarence Ousley is the director of
the extension department of Agricul-
tural and Mechanical College. He fig-
ures that in an average year with 12-
cent cotton, a \$60 bale can buy 89
bushels of potatoes at 70 cents; 750
pounds of lard at 8 cents; 22 barrels
of flour at \$4.50; 375 pounds of bacon
at 16 cents; 100 bushels of corn at 60
cents; 6 tons of hay at \$10; 30 pairs
of shoes at \$2, and 720 yards of cot-
ton goods at 8 1-3 cents.Cotton sold as high as 20 cents this
year.Now with 20-cent cotton a \$100 bale
can buy 44 bushels of potatoes at
\$2.25; 555 pounds of lard at 15 cents,
10 barrels of flour at \$10, 330 pounds
of bacon at 30 cents, 83 bushels of
corn at \$1.20, 5 tons of hay at \$20, 20
pairs of shoes at \$5, and 666 yards of
cotton goods at 15 cents.These figures should appeal to the
man who tills the soil. This compar-
ison of low price cotton and fair price
cotton and what a bale can purchase
in the way of necessities of life should
cause him to do considerable think-
ing and this thinking may lead to
beneficial results.Peace isn't in sight.
There is to be another year of the
carnival of blood.There is to be another year of the
reign of the cannon, the rifle, the
torch and the grave digger.There is to be another year given
over to the annihilation of human
life, the destruction of property and
the devastation of the fields of Eu-
rope.There is to be another year for
America to feed the people of Europe
as well as her own people and feed-
stuffs and foodstuffs are certain to be
in greater demand at higher prices
than ever before unless the farmers
of America, and especially those of
the South, devote a larger acreage to
the production of food supplies.

They should feed themselves.

They should feed the non-producer
in the cities and towns of the com-
monwealth. They should raise a large
surplus for sale abroad. These are
the conditions which they must meet.Cotton should continue to be the
chief money crop of the South.A 12 million bale crop is certain to
bring a fancy price.A 12 million bale crop will place
more than a billion dollars in the
pockets of Southern farmers.A 12 million bale crop will strike
the shackles of the credit system from
the limbs of the Southern producer
of raw wealth.But the foodstuffs and the feed-
stuffs must be grown. There should
be bumper crops of these. The Southshould not buy from other states
wheat or corn or oats or hay. The
South should produce these in ample
quantity.A wise man has asked: "What do
you think of a man who sees a dollar
in the road and won't pick it up?"A practical man says: "Five acres
to live on will bring him many dol-
lars in a year, even at average prices."
Read these lines for the edification of
those who cling to the one-crop fal-
lacy as well as those who in other
years have neglected to produce food-
stuffs and feedstuffs:Three and a half acres will produce
100 bushels of corn, 8 tons of stover
and cowpea hay with a value of \$140.
One-half acre will produce 80 bush-
els of yams with a value of \$40.One-quarter of an acre will produce
25 bushels of Irish potatoes, first crop,
and 15 bushels the second crop, with
a value of \$28.One-quarter of an acre of Japanese
ribbon cane will produce 50 gallons
of syrup with a value of \$47.One-half acre of garden will pro-
duce vegetables and other green stuff
with a value of \$100.The total value of the five acres to
live on is \$245, and remember, that
the average value of five acres of cot-
ton is only \$150.Cotton should not be produced and
then sold at a price less than the cost
of production.For years and years the speculators
and spinners of the world hammered
down the price below the cost of pro-
duction and as a result those who
produced this monopoly plant product
of the South lived from hand to mouth
and were ever held in the bonds of
financial servitude.They were ever in debt to their land-
lords or their local merchants or their
bankers, or the agents of the over-
lords of Europe or the allies of the
overlords in this land of the free.Not for fifty years have the pro-
ducers of cotton reaped the rewards
of honest toil and honest effort when
they sold their holdings at prices fixed
by the market-makers and market-
dictators of the world.The race was to the cunning and
the wise—not to the plodding, the pa-
tient and the laborious.Twenty-cent cotton and \$50 seed
are the rich rewards of a small crop
to the Southern producers of raw
wealth.Now they should watch the acreage.
They should plant foodstuffs and
feedstuffs. They should make them-
selves independent and they can do
this by feeding themselves and help-
ing to feed the world the coming sea-
son.

Two-dollar wheat is here.

American wheat growers know
what to do. Meat stuffs are higher
than ever. There is an enormous de-
mand for butter, for eggs, for poultry
for potatoes and for all the vegetables
that are known to the eye or the pal-
ate of mankind.Cotton is the king when his retain-
ers are able to hold the fleecy staple
and fix their own price.Cotton is the clown in rags instead
of a king in purple when thrown in
the ditch to make a mad holiday for
a wild mob of exultant bears with all
the cards in the deck in their ill-
white hands, placed there by the till-
ers of the soil.Corpus Christi is a dry town. Nu-
eces is a dry county. Bootleggers
were raided the other day and among
those arrested was a justice of the
peace. On one of the prisoners tak-
en, said to be a prominent citizen, the
officers found a bill of lading for 75
quarts of whiskey and 10 quarts were
found in the man's room. He had a
defense. The liquor was purchased
for personal use. His capacity must
be two quarts a day. It is the inten-
tion of the officers to make Corpus
Christi as dry as a bone. If they are
successful it will be demonstrated
that hell is not paved with good in-
tentions. In the good old days a three-
bottle man was the idol of his fellow
topers. A 75-bottle man is something
new under the sun. He should be
placed on exhibition—Fort Worth
Record.One reported compromise on the
submission question at Austin is that
the question shall be voted on in 1918,
and if it carries prohibition shall be-
come effective in 1920. Wonder how
either pros or antis figure it out that
they have authority for any such com-
promise as that from the people.Though the weather has been bad
for more than a week, not enough rain
has fallen to be of much benefit and
the farmers are still anxious for a
thorough season.There is said to be a potato famine
in Germany and that the food situa-
tion is daily growing worse. The re-
port sounds like it is of allies' origin.

NOTICE.

Bids for county depository funds
will be received at 10 o'clock Febru-
ary 12th. J. T. MALONEY,
County Judge.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

"What's that you've got all over
your ears, Boggs?" "That's the trou-
ble with pumpkin pie! I just been
eating a piece."—Browning's Maga-
zine.In death the many become one; in
life the one becomes many. Religion
will be one when God is dead.—Ta-
gore.A benevolent old lady saw an un-
fortunate motorist coming out from
underneath a wrecked car. "My poor
boy," she said, "are you covered?"
"Yes," replied the motorist, "with
mud, blood, chagrin and insurance!"
—London Opinion.I say "try;" for if we never try we
shall never succeed.—Lincoln."The world would be a pleasant
place if there were not so many fools
in it." Yes; but it would be more
difficult to make a living.—Boston
Transcript.However it be, it seems to me,
'Tis only noble to be good;
Kind hearts are more than coronets,
And simple faith than Norman
blood. —Tennyson.Pedantry and taste are as inconsis-
tent as gayety and melancholy.—
Lavater.Mildred had just had her first dip
in the ocean. "How did you like it,
dear?" asked her mother as she fast-
ened up the little 6-year-old's frock.
Mildred glared angrily at the spark-
ling sea. "I didn't like it at all, moth-
er," she replied coldly. "I sat on a
wave and I went through."—Youth's
Companion.He is useless on top of the ground;
he ought to be under it, inspiring the
cabbages.—Mark Twain.

FROM OTHER VIEWPOINTS.

They say the French sing the Mar-
seillaise when the German shells
drop in their trenches and comrades
disappear. But in the British trench-
es bets are made as to what the next
shell will do!—Florida Times Union.If it hadn't been for preserving his
Senatorial dignity, the Hon. William
Joel Stone would undoubtedly have
spoken more vigorously of Tom Law-
son than merely referring to him as
an unspeakable scoundrel and dis-
gusting ass.—Kansas City Journal.Maybe one reason the Germans are
so anxious for peace is that they
want time to laugh over the Russian
rescue of Rumania.—Savannah News.Let the two houses of Congress
contain themselves in patience. The
two houses that are managing this
peace business are the White House
and Colonel House.—Charleston News
and Courier.Possibly one of the obstacles to
peace is Turkey's desire for an ex-
plicit recognition of her right to
massacre non-Moslem elements in her
dominions whenever she feels the
need of a little relaxation.—Chicago
Herald.A discussion of the mysterious
nervous malady known as "shell
shock" suggests that Wall Street is
slowly recovering from a recent at-
tack.—Washington Post.If General Pershing's troops are
withdrawn from Mexico and Villa
hops in and pulls the hide off Car-
ranza, we are going to giggle, no
matter what happens.—Macon Tele-
graph.JUDGE GARY'S RECEIPT FOR
SUCCESS.In the January American Magazine
Judge Gary gives his receipt for suc-
cess. He says about a young man:"1. He should be honest, truthful,
sincere, and serious."2. He should believe in and
preach and practice, the Golden Rule."3. He should be strong and heal-
thy, physically and morally."4. His habits and mode of living
should be temperate and clean and
his companions selected with regard
to their character and reputation."5. He should possess good natu-
ral ability and determination con-
stantly to improve his mind and mem-
ory."6. He should possess a good edu-
cation, including particularly the fun-
damentals, such as mathematics,
grammar, spelling, writing, geography
and history; and also a technical edu-
cation concerning the lines he pro-
poses to follow."7. He should be studious and
thoughtful, keeping his mind upon a
subject until it is mastered."8. He should be conscientious,
modest but courageous, energetic,
persistent, even-tempered, economical,
faithful and loyal to his friends and
the interests he represents."

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All \$6.00 Raincoats now	\$4.80
All \$7.50 Raincoats now	\$6.00
All \$10 Raincoats now	\$8.00
All \$12.50 Raincoats	\$10.00

Clearance of all
Mens and Boys Winter
Underwear

All 50c Underwear	.40
All \$1.00 Underwear	.80
All \$1.50 Underwear	\$1.20
All \$2.00 Underwear	\$1.60
All \$3.00 Underwear	\$2.40

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FURNISH HOGS TO BOYS.

Corpus Christi Banker Starts Boys in
Hog Raising.Corpus Christi, Texas, Jan. 19.—
That boys on the farms of Nueces
county may familiarize themselves
with hog raising, growing of grazing
crops, processes of feeding a balanced
ration and a profit at the end of the
year, Joe Hirsch, vice president of the
Corpus Christi National Bank, an-
nounces that he will furnish a Duroc
sow pig to any boy that can show the
bank that he is capable and can get
the recommendation of his teacher or
parents and has the means to raise
the pig in a manner that a good pig
should be brought up.The following requirements are
necessary:The boy must have some grain or be
able to provide skimmed milk, kitch-
en slop or other food for the pig, and
the permission of his parents to use
at least an acre to grow a variety of
grazing crops and grain to feed the
pig and offspring.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The regular annual meeting of this
company will be held at its office in
Bryan at 3 p. m., Monday, January
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a number of the city companies. On
my right was another guest—a mem-
ber of the Worshipful Company of
Butchers. We had a genial conver-
sation of the state of trade, when I
was suddenly called on to return
thanks for the visitors. The chair-
man was good enough to speak of my-
self in far too flattering terms, to
which I hope that I suitably respond-
ed. When I resumed my seat my
butcher friend exclaimed, with the
most obvious sincerity:"I declare, sir, I am quite ashamed
of myself. To think that I have been
sitting alongside of a gentleman all
the evening and never found it out!"
—Russell's "Recollections."

Freshly Killed.

In a certain literary club years ago
one of the members, in proposing the
name of a candidate for membership,
mentioned among his qualifications
that he could speak several dead lan-
guages. To this an opponent replied
that he never heard the gentleman in
question speak but one dead language
and he murdered that as he went
along.—Christian Register.Silence may be golden, or it may
indicate guilt.

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